

RESOLUTION NO. R-09-09

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE INCORPORATION OF GREEN BUILDING PRACTICES AND CLIMATE PROTECTION STRATEGIES FOR DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATIONS IN THE CITY OF FAIRFAX.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council of Governments has asked local governments to adopt the recommendations presented in the Greening the Metropolitan Washington Region's Built Environment report prepared by the COG Intergovernmental Green Building Committee; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairfax wants to be engaged in the regional efforts to support initiatives aimed at lowering the energy demands resulting from urban development; and

WHEREAS, development and increased energy demands are impacting the regions air quality and water resources; and

WHEREAS, new green building practices have been designed to lessen the impact development has on the environment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFAX THAT:

- The Comprehensive Plan review and update scheduled for 2010 will include language supporting green building practices using the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED program or a similar system; and
- The City of Fairfax will establish LEED Silver as the goal for all public facilities; and
- The City of Fairfax will encourage private developers to meet the LEED Certified building requirements. Developers will be required to submit a LEED checklist with their site plan application; and
- When city government vehicles are replaced, the new vehicles shall have a higher fuel efficiency and alternative fuel vehicles shall also be considered; and
- Create an Energy Improvement Plan for city operations to reduce green house gas emissions; and
- Develop a public education program promoting the incorporation of green building concepts for both residential and commercial development.

ADOPTED this 12 day of May, 2009.


Mayor

Attest:


City Clerk

The vote on the motion to approve was recorded as follows:

Votes

Councilmember Cross	Aye
Councilman Drummond	Aye
Councilman Greenfield	Aye
Councilman Meyer	Aye
Councilman Rasmussen	Aye
Councilman Stombres	Aye